



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, *the public procurement profession plays a significant role in the efficiency and effectiveness of both government and business; and*

**WHEREAS**, *in addition to the purchase of goods and services, procurement professionals add value to the organization by performing such functions as executing, implementing, and administering contracts, developing strategic procurement strategies, and cultivating working relationships with suppliers and other departments within the organization; and*

**WHEREAS**, *public procurement professionals have a tremendous influence on the economic conditions in the United States, with the accumulative purchasing power running into the billions of dollars; and*

**WHEREAS**, *the public procurement profession recognizes, supports, and practices accountability, ethics, impartiality, professionalism, services, and transparency, as fundamental tenants of the public procurement profession; and*

**WHEREAS**, *further expanding awareness of the procurement professional's role to governmental officials, the general public, business, and corporate leaders is important.*

**WHEREAS**, *NIGP has proclaimed the month of March as Procurement Month to further expand the awareness of the purchasing professional's role to governmental officials, the general public, business, and corporate leaders;*

**NOW, THEREFORE**, *We, the Governing Board of the Missouri Chapter of NIGP do hereby proclaim March 2024*

## PROCUREMENT MONTH

*and urge all citizens to join in recognizing the role of the procurement and materials management profession within business, industry, and government.*

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